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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO 4TH OF JULY MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT  
FROM NETHERLANDS ANTILLES PM EVERTSZ

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM NETHERLANDS  
ANTILLES PM EVERTSZ:

"THE PEOPLE OF THE NETHERLANDS ANTILLES REJOICE WITH THE  
PEOPLE OF AMERICA ON THE OCCASION OF THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF YOUR COUNTRY AND WISH TO EXPRESS  
THEIR WARMEST SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR COUNTRY FOR AN EVER-  
LASTING CONTINUATION OF YOUR IDEALS. MAY I CONCLUDE WITH  
THE PRAYER: GOD BLESS AMERICA."

2. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT FORD SHOULD BE  
DELIVERED TO PM EVERTSZ: DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER:

ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, MRS. FORD AND I JOIN IN  
EXPRESSING OUR APPRECIATION FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE ON  
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THE OCCASION OF THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR NATION'S

INDEPENDENCE.

IN OUR BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE NOT  
ONLY MARK THE DEEDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE PAST, BUT

ALSO REAFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM,  
DIGNITY AND EQUALITY.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TOWARD THE IMPORTANT  
GOALS OUR NATIONS SHARE.

SINCERELY,  
GERALD R. FORD

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT  
WISHES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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